UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (100-10461)

DATE: 9/17/64

FROM : SAC SHANKLIN

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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Reference is made to Mr. W. A. BRANIGAN's telephone call regarding the utilization of a mine detector.

Checks were made and it was determined that apparently there was no mine detector in the Dallas area from either the Army or the Air Force.

I called Mr. BRANIGAN back and pointed out to him that we had definitely described the scuff mark in such a manner that it would appear to me that it could not have been caused by a bullet, but that if the Bureau desired, we would certainly try to utilize a mine detector. It was pointed out to him that we did not have such here, and he suggested that the Laboratory be contacted.

I got in touch with RICHARD MILLEN of the Laboratory and he advised that after checking, the nearest mine detector furnished by the Bureau was either in Denver or Kansas City, and that they would call and have one immediately forwarded to this office. He stated that the sound man should be able to operate this mine detector and that the instructions as to how to do so were definitely spelled out in the handbook of technical equipment which has been furnished to each sound man.

I called Mr. BRANIGAN's office back and talked to Supervisor ROBERT E. LENIHAN and advised him of the above and the fact that upon receipt of the mine detector, we would make appropriate examination in the area where this scuff mark was supposed to have occurred.

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